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Application of:

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For: TIRE WITH SHOCK ABSORBING

CLOSED CELL RUBBER TREAD OF

SPACED APART LUGS

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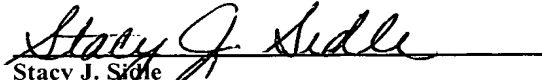
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Final Official Action dated December 23, 2005, please make the following amendments in order to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the Applicants' invention.